Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-3, 8, 17, 25, 35 and 44. Please amend Claims 4, 5, 46, 50, and 101. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

- 1-3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Currently Amended) A [[The]] compound of Claim 2, wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

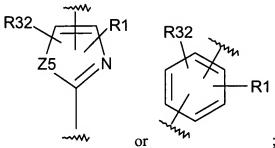
[[and]] or a stereoisomer[[s]], pharmaceutically acceptable salt[[s]], solvate[[s]] [[and]] or hydrate[[s]] thereof, wherein:

(a) T1 is selected from the group consisting of

- (b) R1 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_1 - C_8 alkenyl, aryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, and C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl, wherein C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_1 - C_8 alkenyl, aryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, and C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl are each optionally substituted with from one to three substituents independently selected from R1';
- (c) R1', R26, R27, R28, R31, Z14', and Z15' are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl-COOR12, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy, C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl, aryloxy, aryl-C₀₋₄-alkyl, heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, C(O)R13, COOR14, OC(O)R15, OS(O)₂R16, N(R17)₂, NR18C(O)R19, NR20SO₂R21, SR22, S(O)R23, S(O)₂R24, and S(O)₂N(R25)₂; R12, R13, R14, R15, R16, R17, R18, R19, R20, R21, R22, R23, R24 and R25 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl and aryl;
- (d) R2 is selected from the group consisting of C_0 - C_8 alkyl and C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl;

- (e) X is selected from the group consisting of a bond, O, S, S(O)₂ and N;
- (f) U is an aliphatic linker wherein one carbon atom of the aliphatic linker may be replaced with O, NH or S, and wherein such aliphatic linker is optionally substituted with R30;
- (g) Y is selected from the group consisting of C, O, S, NH and a single bond;
- (h) E is C(R3)(R4)A or A and wherein
 - (i) A is selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, tetrazole, C₁-C₆ alkylnitrile, carboxamide, sulfonamide and acylsulfonamide; wherein sulfonamide, acylsulfonamide and tetrazole are each optionally substituted with from one to two groups independently selected from R⁷;
 - (ii) each R⁷ is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, aryl-C₀-C₄ alkyl and C₁-C₆ alkyl, wherein such alkyl and arylalkyl are each optionally substituted with from one to two groups independently selected from R7'; each R7' is independently selected from halo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, and haloC₁-C₆ alkyl;
 - (iii) R3 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₅ alkyl, and C₁-C₅ alkoxy; and
 - (iv) R4 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₅ alkyl, C₁-C₅ alkoxy, aryloxy, C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, and aryl C₀-C₄ alkyl, and R3 and R4 are optionally combined to form a C₃-C₄ cycloalkyl, and wherein alkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl and aryl-alkyl are each optionally substituted with one to three each independently selected from R26;
- (i) B is selected from the group consisting of S and O, wherein when Z is C then B is N;
- (j) Z is selected from the group consisting of N and C;
- (k) Z1 and Z2 are each independently N or C with the proviso that at least one of Z1 and Z2 is N;
- (1) Z3 is N or O;

(m) Z4 is selected from the group consisting of N, S, and O, wherein when Z4 is N



and n2 is 1, T1 is not

- (n) Z5 is S or O;
- (o) Z12 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and -Z13C₀-C₃alkylZ14;
- (p) Z13 is selected from the group consisting of a single bond, CO, CO₂, CONZ15, and SO₂;
- (q) Z14 is selected from the group consisting of aryl and heteroaryl, wherein the aryl and heteroaryl is each optionally substituted with from one to three substituents independently selected from Z14';
- (r) Z15 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, and heteroaryl, wherein the aryl and heteroaryl is each optionally substituted with from one to three substituents independently selected from Z15';
- (s) W is independently selected from the group consisting of S and O;
- (t) n2 is 1 [[to 3]];
- (u) R8 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-C₄ alkylenyl, oxo, sulfo, and halo;
- (v) R9 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-C₄ alkylenyl, halo, aryl-C₀-C₄ alkyl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₆ allyl, oxo, sulfo, and OR29, and R8 and R9 together optionally combine to form a fused C5-C6 ring with the carbons to which they are attached, and wherein aryl-C₀-C₄ alkyl, heteroaryl are each optionally substituted with from one to three independently selected from R27; R29 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₄ alkyl;
- (w) R10, R11 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₀-C₆ alkyl-COOR12", C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy, C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl, aryl-C₀₋₄-alkyl,

aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl, aryloxy, C(O)R13′, COOR14′, OC(O)R15′, OS(O)₂R16′, N(R17′)₂, NR18′C(O)R19′, NR20′SO₂R21′, SR22′, S(O)R23′, S(O)₂R24′, and S(O)₂N(R25′)₂; and wherein aryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, and C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl are each optionally substituted with from one to three independently selected from R28;

- (x) R12', R12", R13', R14', R15', R16', R17', R18', R19', R20', R21', R22', R23', R24', and R25' are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl and aryl;
- (y) R30 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_6 alkyl, aryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, and C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl, and wherein C_1 - C_6 alkyl, aryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, aryl- C_{1-6} -heteroalkyl, heteroaryl- C_{0-4} -alkyl, and C3-C6 cycloalkylaryl- C_{0-2} -alkyl are each optionally substituted with from one to three substituents each independently selected from R31;
- (z) R32 is selected from the group consisting of a bond, hydrogen, halo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, and C₁-C₆ alkyloxo;
- (aa) R33 is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, thiophene, pyridine,

(bb) AL is selected from the group consisting of a fused C₃-C₈ carbocyclic and a fused phenyl; and

- (a) "----" are each independently an optional bond to form a double bond at the indicated position; and
- (b) Z2 and Z3 are each N.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The compound of Claim [[3]] 4, wherein T1 is selected from

R32
$$Z_3$$
 Z_1
 Z_2
 Z_3
 Z_4
 Z_5
 Z_7
 Z_8
 Z_8

6. (Original) The compound of Claim 4, wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

$$E \longrightarrow Y$$
 $Z4$
 $(CH_2)_{n2}$
 $R9$
 $X \longrightarrow U$
 $T1 \longrightarrow R2 \longrightarrow R33$

7. (Original) The compound of Claim 6, wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

$$E \longrightarrow Y$$
 $Z4$
 $(CH_2)_{n2}$
 $R9$
 $X \longrightarrow U$
 $T1 \longrightarrow R2$
 $R10$
 $R11$

- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Previously Presented) The compound of Claim 7, wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

$$E \xrightarrow{R8} X \xrightarrow{U} T1 \xrightarrow{R10} R11$$

10. (Original) The compound of Claim 9 wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

11. (Previously presented) The compound of Claim 10 wherein:

X is -O-;

E is $C(R3)(R4)CO_2H$ or CO_2H ;

R1, R3, and R4 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₂ alkyl;

- R10 and R11 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl-COOR12", C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, and C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy; and U is saturated C₁-C₃ alkyl optionally substituted with C₁-C₃ alkyl.
- 12. 18. (Cancelled)
- 19. (Original) The compound of Claim 9 wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

20. (Previously Presented) The compound of Claim 19 wherein:

E is $C(R3)(R4)CO_2H$ or CO_2H ;

- R1, R3, and R4 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₂ alkyl; and
- R10 and R11 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl-COOR12", C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, and C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy.
- 21 27. (Cancelled)
- 28. (Original) The compound of Claim 9 wherein the compound is represented by the following Structural Formula:

29. (Previously Presented) The compound of Claim 28 wherein:

X is -O-;

E is $C(R3)(R4)CO_2H$ or CO_2H ;

R1, R3, and R4 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₂ alkyl; and

R10 and R11 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl-COOR12", C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, and C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy.

30 - 37 (Cancelled)

- 38. (Original) The compound of Claim 28 wherein X is -S-.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The compound of Claim 38 wherein:

E is $C(R3)(R4)CO_2H$ or CO_2H ;

R1, R3, and R4 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁-C₂ alkyl; and

R10 and R11 are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, oxo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkyl-COOR12", C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, and C₁-C₆ haloalkyloxy.

40 - 45. (Cancelled)

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(Currently Amended) The compound of Claim [[2]] 4 wherein the compound is selected
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        from the group consisting of:
        \{6\hbox{-}[5\hbox{-}Methyl\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}(4\hbox{-}trifluoromethyl\hbox{-}phenyl)\hbox{-}oxazol\hbox{-}4\hbox{-}ylmethoxy]\hbox{-}benzo[b]thiophen-3-benzo[b]}
        yl}-acetic acid;
        \{4\hbox{-}[4\hbox{-}Isopropyl\hbox{-}2\hbox{-}(4\hbox{-}trifluoromethyl\hbox{-}phenyl)\hbox{-}thiazol\hbox{-}5\hbox{-}ylmethoxy]\hbox{-}benzo[b]thiophen-3-phenyl]
        yl}-acetic acid;
        {4-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-4-ylmethoxy]-benzo[b]thiophen-3-
        yl}-acetic acid;
        (6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-benzo[b]thiophen-
        3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (6-{1-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-ethoxy}-benzo[b]thiophen-
        3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-4-yl]-ethoxy}-benzo[b]thiophen-3-
        yl)-acetic acid;
        (6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-benzo[b]thiophen-
        3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-propoxy}-
        benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (R)-(6-\{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-propoxy\}-
        benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (S)-(6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-propoxy}-
        benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (R)-(4-\{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-
        benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (S)-(4-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-
        benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;
        (4-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-ethoxy}-benzo[b]thiophen-3-
        yl)-acetic acid;
        Racemic-(4-{1-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-ethoxy}-
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benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-acetic acid;

- 3-{1-[4-Methyl-2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) oxazol-5-yl] ethoxy}-pyrido[1,2-a]indole-10-carboxylic-acid;
- (6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-yl]-propoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-propoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-ethoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {6-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-ylmethoxy]-benzofuran-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- (6-{1-Methyl-1-[4-methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-ethylsulfanyl}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {6-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-ylmethylsulfanyl]-benzofuran-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- (6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-ethylsulfanyl}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (6-{1-[4-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-ethylsulfanyl}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- 2-{6-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-ylmethoxy]-benzofuran-3-yl}-propionic acid;
- 2-(6-{2-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-oxazol-5-yl]-ethoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-propionic acid;
- (6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-ethoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (R)-(6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid (Isomer 2);
- (S)-(6-{2-[5-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;

- (6-{1-[4-Methyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) thiazol-5-yl] ethoxy}-2-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl) acetic acid;
- {2-Oxo-6-[4-phenyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) thiazol-5-ylmethoxy] 3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- {7-[4-Methyl-2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) thiazol-5-ylmethoxy]-2-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- {8 [4 Methyl-2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) thiazol-5 ylmethoxy] 2 oxo 2,3,4,5-tetrahydro benzo[b]azepin-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- (6-{1-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-ethylsulfanyl}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {6-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-ylmethylsulfanyl]-benzofuran-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- (6-{1-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-ethoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- 2-{5-[1-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-ylmethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-2-methyl-propionic acid;
- (1-Methyl-6-{2-[3-methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-1H-indol-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {5-[2-(5-Methyl-3-phenyl-pyrazol-1-yl)-ethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- (1-Methyl-6-{2-[3-methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-1H-indol-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- (1-Methyl 6-{2-[4-methyl-2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) thiazol-5-yl] propoxy}-1H-indol-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {5-[5-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiophen-2-ylmethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- 3-{4-[3-Isobutyl-5-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiophen-2-ylmethoxy] 2-methyl-phenyl}-propionic-acid;
- (5-{2-[3-Methyl-5-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiophen-2-yl]-propoxy}-indol-1-yl)-acetic acid:
- (6-{1-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-ethylsulfanyl}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;

- {6-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-ylmethylsulfanyl]-benzofuran-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- (6-{1-[3-Methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-ethoxy}-benzofuran-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- 2-{5-[1-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-ylmethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-2-methyl-propionic acid;
- (1-Methyl-6-{2-[3-methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-1H-indol-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- {5-[2-(5-Methyl-3-phenyl-pyrazol-1-yl)-ethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- (1-Methyl-6-{2-[3-methyl-1-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]-propoxy}-1H-indol-3-yl)-acetic acid;
- Racemic {5-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopentathiazol-4-ylmethoxy]-indol-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- (S) {6 [2 (4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopentathiazol-4-ylmethoxy] 1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- {1-Methyl-6-[2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopentathiazol-4-ylmethoxy]-1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic-acid;
- {5-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-benzothiazol-4-ylmethoxy] indol-1-yl}-acetic acid;
- {6-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-benzothiazol-4-ylmethoxy]-1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- {6-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-4,5,6,7 tetrahydro-benzothiazol-4 ylmethoxy]-1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- {1-Methyl-6-[2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-benzothiazol-4-ylmethoxy]-1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- {5-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 4,5,6,7 tetrahydro-benzothiazol 4-ylmethoxy] indol-1yl}-acetic acid;
- {1-Methyl-6-[2 (4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl) 5,6,7,8 tetrahydro-4H-cycloheptathiazol-4-ylmethoxy]-1H-indol-3-yl}-acetic acid;

- {6-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-ylmethoxy]-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl}-acetic acid;
- 2-(6-((1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methoxy)benzo[b] thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
- 2-(6-(2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propoxy)benzo[b] thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
- 2-(6-(2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propoxy)benzo[b] thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
- 2-(6-((R)-2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propylthio) benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
- 2-(6-((1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-isopropyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methylthio)benzo [b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid; and
- 2-(6-((4-tert-butyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thiazol-5-yl)methylthio)benzo [b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid.

47 - 49. (Cancelled)

50. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a mammal in need of treatment for a disease, wherein the disease is treatable by modulating a peroxisome proliferator activated receptor, comprising the step of administering to the mammal in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of Claim [[1]] 4.

51 - 52. (Cancelled)

- 53. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 50, wherein the disease is selected from the group consisting of diabetes mellitus, Syndrome X, and atherosclerosis.
- 54. (Original) The method of Claim 53, wherein the disease is diabetes mellitus.
- 55. (Original) The method of Claim 53, wherein the disease is Syndrome X.

56. - 100. (Cancelled)

- 101. (Currently Amended) A compound, wherein the compound is:
 - {6-[4-Isopropyl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-thiazol-5-ylmethoxy]-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl}-acetic acid;
 - 2-(6-((1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methoxy)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
 - 2-(6-(2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propoxy)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
 - 2-(6-(2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propoxy)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
 - 2-(6-((R)-2-(1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)propylthio)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;
 - 2-(6-((1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-isopropyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methylthio)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid; or
 - 2-(6-((4-tert-butyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thiazol-5-yl)methylthio)benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)acetic acid;

[[and]] or a stereoisomer[[s]], pharmaceutically acceptable salt[[s]], solvate[[s]] [[and]] or hydrate[[s]] thereof.

102. - 107. (Cancelled)

- 108. (Previously Presented) A method of treating a human subject in need of treatment for a disease selected from the group consisting of diabetes mellitus, Syndrome X, and atherosclerosis, comprising the step of administering to the subject in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of Claim 101.
- 109. 114. (Cancelled)